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FRIDAY, MAY 9, 1902.

Frederick Warde has captured Honolulu without a struggle.

It Carnegie would only go into the newspaper business then we should know what kind of literature he wants for his library.

Governor Dole's reference to the native Hawaiian desire to restore the monarchy is news indeed. Where did the Governor discover it?

Apologies of Merchants' week it is better to have a conservative program well carried out than an elaborate affair that costs more than it comes to.

Miss Stone's story of her capture has been published in McClure's Magazine. It is a most interesting reading notwithstanding the comic paper posters.

Dr. Schubert, of Berlin, thinks he has discovered several unknown poems of Sappho. The discovery of a revised edition of the play would be appreciated in some quarters.

Say what they like of the action turning down the Administration's Cular relief scheme, the best sugar Republicans seem to be the only members of their party in Congress who feel sure of re-election next fall.

W. J. Bryan has taken the job of representing a weekly publication at the inauguration of the new Cuban government. He will likely know all about what ought to be done for Cuba after having spent three days in the place.

Austrian royalty is excited over the exposure of a titled prince who sought Miss Vanderbilt and her coin and failed. This is interesting from an American standpoint as showing that silly American title-chasers are still possessed of some power of selection.

Food is beginning to cost money on the Mainland as well as in Honolulu. Not only has beef advanced sensationally, but lamb, mutton, hog products, poultry and butter are all higher. Iard, as an instance, is three cents a pound higher than it was three months ago.

There are few places on the face of the globe where the steamship companies are in a position to do more for business advancement than right here in Honolulu. Having the power to assist, these corporations also have it in their hands to accomplish irreparable injury.

It is up to Hon. Sanford B. Dole to take lessons in sugar production and its cost. It seems almost as if his Washington data had been supplied by Hon. William Hayward, of the Planters' Association, who has been notoriously inaccurate in the information he has supplied to Congressional committees this year.

As money savers it is hard to beat New Yorkers. Finding that the postage on circulars to the United States from England was only half a cent a pound, they have been shipping circulars across the water in bulk, saving the difference between the low freight rate and the extra half-cent it would have cost them to mail their circulars in the States. Preparing the printed matter in advance, the delay of three weeks before it reached the addressees in the States was immaterial.

The Alaska boundary dispute has assumed a new phase. A monument that was erected by Russia to mark the boundary between Alaska and Canada, has been removed by a Canadian official surveying party. Secretary Hay has, by order of the President, ordered a personal investigation to be made by a commission of American officers. There seems to be some smoke in the air, especially as a British custom house has been erected on our side of the American town of Skagway.

MERCHANTS AND STEAMER RATES.

It is within the power of the island steamship companies to make or break the proposed Honolulu Merchants' week. These companies can assure success, conserve the interests of every mercantile house in Honolulu, as well as their own, by making a special rate which is something more than a nominal reduction. The same companies can knock the whole project in the head by offering only a twenty or thirty per cent reduction in fares. As previously stated in this paper, the expense of the trip to Honolulu will be the first consideration. If a heavier reduction is not made for this event than has ever been granted before, the program will be handicapped at the very start.

While the times are not as hard as might be, the fact remains that residents of this and other islands are counting their dollars and figuring down expenses with particular care. Luxuries are cut out, expenses in the home and in business are culled to the lowest reasonable figure. A trip to Honolulu means more than it did. It is contemplated for pleasure alone, it is often put off on account of the expense. Merchants appreciate this more than any other class in business life. They come in personal contact with their patrons less frequently and as a natural result trade is more difficult to hold. The Merchants' week proposed is made partially with a view to offset this condition; to get the people coming our way and at the same time see that they are properly entertained.

To accomplish their aims the merchants of Honolulu must receive special consideration from the transportation lines, and it is well deserved. For every package of goods sold in this city to island patrons the steamship companies reap their certain reward. They can well afford to carry passengers on this occasion at or even below cost. Every business man, every passenger from the other islands puts money in the transportation company's pocket, not only directly through the passage money but by the freight on goods bought.

Merchants of Honolulu have been going business with these lines for years, paying their freight charges, paying their passenger rates, paying baggage fees for goods waiting on the docks. There has been a steady stream of mercantile coin into the steamship coffers. If it is smaller now than formerly it is because trade has been turned from the Honolulu coast to outside sources and direct coast steamship or sailing lines. The fault is not with the Honolulu merchant or the goods he sells.

Now these Honolulu patrons of the inter-island steamers ask a favor. It is the first of the kind. Are they to be turned aside with an insignificant reduction in the passenger tariff, which though it is "something" is not enough to secure the crowds so necessary to making the movement a complete success? Under any circumstances the transportation lines will reap a big share in the profits. Can these corporations afford to be anything but liberal? Can they afford to be stingy, granting favors grudgingly? Can they afford to stand as the chief stumbling block in measures framed to advance Honolulu, hold island trade and perhaps gain new?

There is only one way to look at it from the merchant's standpoint, and every scheme, be it for work or for play, that assists the merchants of Honolulu is also a boon to the corporations owning the inter-island steamships.

MORE DOLE TALK

New Haven, April 26.—A special to the New York Sun says: Governor Sanford B. Dole of Hawaii visited Yale this afternoon in company with H. P. Judd, Secretary of the Hawaiian Club at Yale. Mr. Judd is a son of the late Chief Justice of Hawaii. Governor Dole said:

"We are looking forward to the fall elections on the islands with much interest. There are three parties on the islands, the Republicans, the Democrats and the Home Rulers. The Democrats have not been an important factor in recent election, the Home Rulers winning last time. They are the opponents of the present form of government and the remnants of the rule of royalty. They have no special issues to urge, as near as I can make out. They wish especially to capture that patronage.

"In their last canvass they made some show by pretending that they would revive royalty if they got power. Their office holding hasn't been very successful, and they are now clamoring for a special session of the Legislature to get another chance to do something satisfactory, so as to go before the people in November with a more satisfactory record. I don't believe that they have any idea of reviving the monarchy, but that they simply revived the matter for campaign purposes in their last canvass.

"As to the matter of the extension of the suffrage we felt that we preferred qualified suffrage, but Congress felt differently, and we have accepted the situation. Suffrage with an educational qualification now prevails, but it does not include the Asiatics unless they are Hawaiian born."

Governor Dole went to Boston this afternoon.

What has become of all that deep indignation against the anarchists which raged last fall? Congress, it is stated, was going to wipe out the anarchism of this land and yet the session is passing away and nothing is being done.—Philadelphia Item.

IN DEFENSE OF DR. OLIVER.

Editor Evening Bulletin:—So far, all the particulars of the case of Philip Mikila have not been made public. I therefore propose to make a short statement, as Dr. Oliver was not allowed to be present in the committee room when his accusers were examined nor to hear their evidence. He has learned it in a second hand way only. If the report the Doctor received is correct, he unhesitatingly says that certain witnesses lied.

It has been customary at the Kalaupapa dispensary for the jailor to bring or send up prisoners once a week or so. The Doctor insisted on this, as formerly he was frequently called to the prison for trifling ailments, and often as not, on arrival at the jail, he was unable to obtain admittance. When any prisoner was unable to come to the dispensary, for instance, a fever case, he was attended to by the Doctor at the jail.

The man Philip came to the dispensary on several occasions with the jailor, and the Doctor seeing that he was far advanced with the disease, told the jailor not to bring him up again, but see to it that he was washed, as his condition was anything but clean. The Doctor also found out from the man that he suffered no pain and that he was able to attend to the sores on his feet himself. The jailor was in the habit, either personally or through one of the prisoners, of receiving lint, medicinal soap, dressings and simple medicines from the dispensary, when they were asked for.

In all far advanced cases of leprosy, the patient requires a nurse rather than a doctor, and unless there is pain or a wound threatens to mortify, a doctor is of little use.

In the present instance, the jailor and the prisoner were told by the Doctor that medicines were useless. All that anyone could do for him was to give him wine, nourishing food, keep him clean and attend to his sores. The jailor was also told to report to the doctor if the man should experience pain, or if his condition should become worse. As he heard nothing more of him, the Doctor, after the lapse of ten days or so, supposed that the man was as usual and that he had received dressings, etc.

The Doctor heard nothing whatever about the state of the man, or that maggots had appeared in the sores on his feet, until he had been allowed to be taken to his home. He then, of course, attended him, being requested to do so by members of a benevolent society.

When the Doctor saw the weak state of the man, as said before, he told the jailor that he would speak to Superintendent Reynolds about removing Philip to the Bay View Home. The Doctor did speak to Superintendent Reynolds. He told him that a doctor was of no use in such a case. That the man required nursing, wine and nourishing food. Supt. Reynolds replied, after visiting the man, that he would not remove him, but that he would get better treatment where he was, than he would receive at the Bay View Home. Supt. Reynolds also told the Doctor that the jailor was fully able to look after the prisoner, and that he would be so instructed.

On this understanding, the Doctor considered that he gave the case into the hands of the jailor, expecting to be called if his services were required.

As I said before, the Doctor was never again informed as to the condition of the prisoner until he left the jail.

In conclusion I would say that it is the opinion of the Doctor's friends here, that if his wishes had been respected, the Philip Mikila incident would never have occurred.

Yours truly,
DISPENSER,
Kalaupapa, May 1, 1902.

DISHONEST JOURNALISM.

Editor Evening Bulletin:—The Advertiser in its issue of the 7th inst. published willfully, libelous statements in connection with a law case in which I am interested. I apprised the editor of the erroneous statements but the usual Advertiser tactics were adhered to and the dishonest journalism of the Advertiser I have to seek the publicity of the Bulletin for the presentation of the following statement:

"Will the editor of the Advertiser do me the justice to say: ament an erroneous report in the law court column of the 7th inst. issue, that Frank Godfrey is not defendant in any suit for 'foreclosure of mortgage' and that the acts of the late Paul Neumann with regard to the estate of Mrs. Emma McCall (Kaika) met with the full approval of Mr. Godfrey. The Kidwell-Godfrey suit is on 'injunction' and by which process Mr. Kidwell admits he has no title in law to certain lands, but is permitted by the Supreme Court to endeavor to establish a title in equity."

The above quoted portion was landed in to the city editor of the paper but publication has been withheld.

FRANK GODFREY,
Honolulu, May 1, 1902.

BURCHARD CHURCH FIRE.

New York, April 27.—The Thirteenth street Presbyterian church, which the late Rev. Samuel D. Burchard founded and preached in for forty years, was gutted by fire this afternoon. The interior was wrecked, but the walls were damaged but little and can be used again. The church will be rebuilt on its present site.

Dr. Burchard attracted attention to the church and himself in 1884 while the Blaine campaign was in progress. It was then he made his famous address for James G. Blaine, calling the Democratic party a party of "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion." The speech was credited with defeating Blaine for the Presidency. The fire was the third in twelve years in the church. The structure was built in 1846.

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